

Docket No.: 055190-0012



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
Josee HAMEL, et al. : Confirmation Number: 7195
Application No.: 09/471,255 : Group Art Unit: 1645
Filed: December 23, 1999 : Examiner: V. Portner
For: NOVEL STREPTOCOCCUS ANTIGENS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated October 1, 2004, now due to expire January 1, 2005, be extended for three month(s) and set to expire on April 1, 2005.

Please charge the extension fee of \$1020.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

Respectfully submitted,

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